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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 6, 8, and 9 and amend claims 1, 7, 10, and 11 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A handle for attaching to a trigger operated hand tool wherein the handle includes:

a shaft adapted so as to be attachable at one end thereof to the hand tool;

a hand grip located at the other end of the shaft;

a trigger activator positioned near the hand grip capable of being operatively connected to the trigger associated with the hand tool;

the hand grip is angled with respect to the longitudinal axis of the shaft to allow the handle to be easily gripped by a person's hand; and

wherein the hand grip includes a second hand grip positioned on the shaft at a point intermediate to the two ends of the shaft, the second hand grip being slidable along the length of the shaft and selectively ~~detachable~~ clampable along the shaft; and

further including a trigger lever operatively connected to the trigger, and wherein the trigger activator controls the trigger lever to operate the trigger associated with the hand tool.

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2. (Previously Amended) The handle as claimed in claim 1 wherein the trigger operated hand tool is motorized.

3. (Previously Amended) The handle as claimed in claim 1 wherein the trigger operated hand tool is a nail gun.

4. (Previously Amended) The handle as claimed in claim 1 wherein the length of the shaft is substantially 50cm to 70cm.

5. (Previously Amended) The handle as claimed in claim 1 wherein the shaft includes a clamp at one end thereof capable of holding a nail gun.

6. (Canceled)

7. (~~Previously~~ Currently Amended) The handle as claimed in claim 1 wherein the trigger activator is in the form of a handle lever.

8. (Canceled)

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9. (Canceled)

10. (~~Previously~~ Currently Amended) The handle as claimed in claim 7 wherein one end of a cable is connected to the handle lever such that pivoting of the handle lever causes the relative length of the cable to increase or decrease to control activation of the trigger associated with the hand tool.

11. (~~Previously~~ Currently Amended) The handle as claimed in claim 10 wherein the cable is attached at its opposite end to a ~~second~~ the trigger lever which is pivoted via the relative shortening or lengthening of the cable, to control activation of the trigger associated with the hand tool.

12. (Canceled)

13. (Canceled)